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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR
1962



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FOREWORD

Public Health Office,
Health Centre,
Swanage, Dorset.

To the Chairman and Members of the Wareham and Purbeck
Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the health and sanitary conditions of the Wareham and Purbeck Rural District for the year 1962.

There were no outbreaks of infectious disease in the district during the year.

Births were 52 more and deaths 20 more than in 1961. The number of live births registered exceeded deaths by 241.

The estimated population for the district at mid 1962 shows an increase of 1,324 on the Census population of 1961. This increase in population is mainly in the parish of Wool, and the eastern part of the district. It will be seen that the birth rate is much higher and the death rate somewhat lower than the corresponding rates for England and Wales.

Owing to the increased work in the Public Health Inspector's department, the Council decided to appoint a second additional Public Health Inspector and Mr. W. F. Pavey was appointed to this post and commenced duties on the 16th. July, 1962.

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I wish to thank the Members of the Council for their courtesy and consideration, and the Clerk and other Officers of the Council for their help and co-operation throughout the year. In addition I would like to thank your Public Health Inspector, Mr. Grant, for his assistance in preparing this report, and Mr. Leonard, your Engineer and Surveyor, for his notes on the engineering aspect of water supply and sewerage.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient Servant

E. J. O'KEEFE

Medical Officer of Health

July, 1963.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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Office accommodation and clerical assistance for the Medical Officer of Health who is also Medical Officer of Health to the Wareham Borough Council and Swanage Urban District Council, and Senior Assistant County Medical Officer, Dorset, are provided by the Authorities concerned.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of the Rural District	...	...	...	95,954 acres
Population	...	...	at Census 1961	20,861
			as estimated by Registrar General mid 1961	21,570
			as estimated by Registrar General mid 1962	22,170
Number of inhabited houses	...		at end of 1961	5,920
Number of inhabited houses	...		at end of 1962	6,162
Rateable value at 1st. April, 1962	...	...	...	£239,144
Sum represented by Penny Rate 1961-62	...	...	...	£945.14.4d.

VITAL STATISTICS

Area comparability factors Births 1.07 Deaths 1.21

						<u>Comparative Rates</u>	
<u>Live Births</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Warcham</u>	<u>England</u>	
					<u>R.D.</u>	<u>& Wales</u>	
Total registered	...	...	443	228	215	
Legitimate	...	...	420	218	202	
Illegitimate	...	...	23	10	13	
Rate per 1000 population		20.0	...	...	21.4	18.0
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births					2.7		
<u>Still Births</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>			
Total registered	...	...	12	3	9	
Legitimate	...	...	12	3	9	
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
Rate per 1000 total live and still births				...	26.4	18.1	
<u>Total Live and Still Births</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>			
Total registered	...	...	455	231	224	
<u>Deaths</u>							
Total registered	...	...	202	91	111	
Rate per 1000 population		9.1	...	...	11.0	11.9
<u>Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year)</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>			
Total registered	...	...	10	5	5	
Legitimate	...	...	10	5	5	
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
<u>Infant Mortality Rates</u>							
Total infant deaths per 1000 total live births				...	22.6	21.4	
Legitimate infant deaths per 1000 legitimate live births				..	23.8		
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1000 illegitimate live births					nil		
<u>Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under four weeks per 1000 total live births)</u>					13.5		
<u>Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under one week per 1000 total live births)</u>					11.3		
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1000 total live and still births)</u>					38.2		
<u>Maternal Mortality (including abortion)</u>							
Number of deaths		...	...	...	Nil	
Rate per 1000 total live and still births			...	Nil			

CAUSES OF DEATH - YEAR 1962

(Supplied by the Registrar General)

	Cause of Death	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-	-
2	Tuberculosis, other forms	-	-	-
3	Syphilitic disease	-	-	-
4	Diphtheria	-	-	-
5	Whooping cough	-	-	-
6	Meningococcal infections	-	1	1
7	Acute poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8	Measles	-	-	-
9	Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	-	-
10	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	1	1	2
11	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	4	2	6
12	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	8	8
13	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-
14	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	13	11	24
15	Leukemia, aleukemia	2	-	2
16	Diabetes	-	1	1
17	Vascular lesions of nervous system	8	16	24
18	Coronary disease, angina	22	21	43
19	Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-
20	Other heart diseases	10	10	20
21	Other circulatory diseases	5	8	13
22	Influenza	-	1	1
23	Pneumonia	4	6	10
24	Bronchitis	3	5	8
25	Other diseases of respiratory system	-	1	1
26	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	-	2
27	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-	-
28	Nephritis and nephrosis	-	1	1
29	Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	1
30	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
31	Congenital malformations	1	3	4
32	Other defined and ill defined diseases	7	11	18
33	Motor vehicle accidents	4	1	5
34	All other accidents	4	2	6
35	Suicide	-	1	1
36	Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-
	Total	91	111	202

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER SUPPLY

The Poole and East Dorset Water Board which came into being on the 1st. April, 1960, control the public piped water supplies in the district apart from the Lulworth Castle Estate Water Undertaking.

In the areas served by public supplies the water has been adequate and maintained at a highly satisfactory standard of purity.

The parishes of East Stoke and East Holme have the poorest water supply both in quantity and quality than any other part of the district which has not a piped public supply. It is hoped that eventually this area of the district will be supplied by extensions of the Poole and East Dorset Water Board's supply.

Work on the Wool supply scheme under the District Council's contract on behalf of the Poole and East Dorset Water Board was completed early in the year, and the whole of the water mains network throughout the village was handed over to the Water Board in a fully operational condition during March, 1962.

The mains supply for the village of Moreton also came into service early in 1962.

Public Piped Supplies

The following areas of the district have a piped water supply from the Poole and East Dorset Water Board's main - Lytchett Matravers, Lytchett Minster and Upton, Bloxworth, Morden, Holton Heath, Organford, Sandford, Bere Regis, Affpuddle, Turners Puddle, Bovington Camp, Wool, Winfrith, Bestwall, Worgret, Carey Estate, Cold Harbour, Stoborough and Ridge, Corfe Castle, Langton Matravers, Acton, Harmans Cross, Church Knowle, Moreton.

The following areas are supplied from the Lulworth Castle Estate supply - West Lulworth, East Lulworth, Coombe Keynes.

Privately Owned Village Supplies.

Chaldon Herring has a standpipe supply from Lulworth Castle Estate and the water bacteriologically is highly satisfactory.

Kingston and Kimmeridge village have small piped gravity supplies from surface springs. The water, with the exception of the Kingston supply which is chlorinated, is untreated and the results of bacteriological examination of samples taken from these small supplies are variable.

Studland Village supply is derived from surface water collected on neighbouring heathland areas. The water is sand filtered and give consistent highly satisfactory results. The quantity of water is very limited and shortage is experienced during summer months.

There has been no major alteration to the source of supply in these areas during the year.

Particulars supplied by the Poole and East Dorset Water Board.

I am indebted to the Board's Engineer and Manager for the following information with regard to the water supply -

The Board's Southern district comprises the Borough of Wareham, the Urban District of Swanage and the Rural District of Wareham and Purbeck. The water supplied by the Board derives from wells and boreholes at Briantspuddle, Worgret, Bloxworth, Corfe Castle, Ulwell and Church Knowle.

Details of Sources and Treatment Applied.

<u>Source</u>	<u>Type of Source</u>	<u>Depth of Well/Borehole</u>	<u>Treatment Applied</u>
Corfe Castle	Well	17 feet	Slow sand filtration chlorination and post ammoniation.
Church Knowle	Spring	-	Chlorination.
Briantspuddle	Well	250 feet	Chlorination
Worgret	Well	30 feet	Iron removal and pH correction, pressure filtration and chlorination.
Ulwell	Well	450 feet	Chlorination.
Bloxworth	Borehole	130 feet	Chlorination

During the year the Board abstracted the following quantities from these sources:-

<u>Source</u>	<u>Volume of Water into Supply</u>
Corfe Castle	146,115,000 gallons
Briantspuddle	217,348,000 gallons
Worgret	91,250,000 gallons
Bloxworth	9,000,000 gallons
Church Knowle	1,000,000 gallons
Ulwell	46,175,000 gallons

The water was maintained at a high Standard of purity and was sufficient to meet all demands.

During the year 19 samples were taken from consumers' taps by the Public Health Inspector for the Rural District, for bacteriological examination at the Public Health Service Laboratory and the following results were reported:-

<u>Local Authority Area</u>	<u>Total Number of Samples</u>	<u>M.O.H. Classification (Report 71)</u>			
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Wareham & Purbeck R.D.	19	19	0	0	0

Regular bacteriological examinations of both raw and distributed water were made in the Board's Laboratory giving the following results -

Raw Water

<u>Source</u>	<u>Total Number of Samples</u>	<u>M.O.H. Classification (Report 71)</u>				<u>Max PC at 37°C</u>	<u>Coli 1 Demonstrated</u>
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>		
Corfe Castle	48	4	5	0	39	1000	39
Briantspuddle	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Worgret	43	30	8	4	1	35	1
Bloxworth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Church Knowle	20	10	4	0	6	5	5
Ulwell	44	30	6	4	4	500	4

(PC = Plate count)

Distributed Water

<u>Source</u>	<u>Total Number of Samples</u>	<u>M.O.H. Classification (Report 71)</u>			
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Corfe Castle	108	78	19	7	4
Briantspuddle	18	17	1	0	0
Worgret	48	46	1	1	0
Bloxworth	23	20	2	1	0
Church Knowle	41	37	3	1	0
Ullwell	50	49	1	0	0

Chemical Analyses

Frequent checks of chlorine residual are made in the control of treatment plants, and in samples taken from mains and consumers' taps throughout the area of supply. Chemical analysis of the raw water from each source was carried out -

Plumbo-solvency: Only the raw water derived from Worgret has any plumbo-solvency. This is corrected during the iron removal process continuously applied at the source.

Action taken in connection with Contamination

Corfe Castle Following periods of heavy rain the quality of the raw water deteriorates rapidly and if this occurs when the demand is high, as in the late summer and autumn of 1962, coliform counts are found in samples of the distributed water. To counter the pollution that occurred, the chlorine dose was increased and its point of application altered with good results. An unpleasant taste was found to be due to organic matter in the water and when prechlorination was discontinued a marked improvement in taste was noted.

Length of Mains Laid

7,903 yards of new mains were laid in the Wareham and Purbeck Rural District during the year.

Bacteriological Examination of Water Supplies

In addition to the samples of water taken by the Water Board, the following samples were taken during the year -

Public Mains Supplies

A total of 19 samples were taken and all gave satisfactory results; Class 1 of Ministry of Health Report 71.

Private Estate Supplies

A total of 6 samples were taken, 5 were satisfactory and one suspicious.

Private Wells

A total of 64 samples were taken for examination, 19 were reported as satisfactory, 38 as unsatisfactory and 7 as suspicious.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Work continued during the year on the Council's programme for the sewerage of the villages in the district which have a mains water supply.

The Wool sewerage system was completed and came into operation during the year and work commenced on the Corfe Castle sewerage scheme which was next on the Council's programme.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Wool

The Wool sewerage and sewage disposal scheme became fully operational during May, 1962, and since that date there has been a steady increase in the number of properties connected to the main drainage system.

Corfe Castle

Work on the Corfe Castle sewerage and sewage disposal scheme commenced in May, 1962, and the contract is scheduled for completion in November November, 1963.

Wareham Joint Sewage Disposal Scheme

Wareham Borough has agreed in principle to the carrying out of a joint sewage disposal scheme with the Rural District Council, and Planning Approval is being sought in respect of a suitable site for the construction of a disposal works to serve Sandford and the Borough.

Sandford

A scheme for Stage I of the Sandford sewerage extension was prepared and submitted to the Ministry but on the recommendation of an Inspector it was postponed pending the carrying out of the joint sewage disposal scheme.

Studland

After protracted negotiations a site has been found for the sewage disposal works and Planning Permission has been requested. A scheme for sewerage and sewage disposal is now in the design stage.

Proposed Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Schemes

It is the Council's expressed policy to carry out sewerage schemes for Bere Regis, Lytchett Matravers, Stoborough and Ridge, as successive operations after Studland.

Number of Houses Connected to Public Sewers and Number of Cesspools abolished during the Year.

Parish	No. of Connections to Sewer	No. of Cesspools Abolished
Langton Matravers	6	4
Wareham St. Martin (a) Sandford	33	Nil
(b) Bestwall	Nil	Nil
West Lulworth	4	1
Briantspuddle	2	2
Lytchett Minster (Upton)	43	15
Wool	87	73

Public Sewerage Systems

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Parish	Locality	No. of Houses connected to sewer	No. of Houses within 100 ft. which could be connected to sewer	Total Houses in Parish	Percent Col. 4 connected to sewer	Percent Col. 5 connected to sewer
Langton Matravers	Village	158	237	357	66.6%	44.2%
Wareham) St. Martin)	Sandford Bestwall	354 -	360 -	575 -	98.3% 100%	61.5% 100%
Affpuddle	Briantspuddle	58	68	132	85.2%	43.9%
Lytchett Minster	Upton	584	813	1009	71.8%	57.8%
Wool	Wool	87	350	649	24.8%	13.4%

Remarks:

The West Lulworth sewage which is untreated is discharged into the sea in deep water to the west of Lulworth Cove. Sandford sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent is discharged into the River Piddle. Bestwall sewage is discharged untreated into the adjoining Wareham Borough sewer. Langton Matravers sewage is discharged untreated into the Swanage Urban District Council's sewerage system. Briantspuddle sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent ultimately reaches the River Piddle. Upton sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent is discharged into Lytchett Bay. Wool sewage has similar treatment and the effluent is discharged to the River Frome.

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The weekly refuse collection service was inaugurated on 2nd. July. This entailed reorganising the collection of the whole district but the transition period passed with very little trouble.

Refuse tips, apart from the main one at Gallows Hill, are now in use at Sandy Lane, Upton, Thrashers Heath off the Studland Road, and East Morden.

Cesspool Emptying Service

Although the sewerage and sewage disposal schemes at Upton and Wool are completed the demand for this service is still such that overtime has to be worked. This is, no doubt, due to the rate of new building of which 40% have cesspools.

ATOMIC ENERGY RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT, WINFRITH.

Liaison

The Council is represented on the Liaison Committee which was set up in 1959, to deal with health, safety and public relations aspects of this establishment.

Disposal of Radioactive Wastes

Radioactive waste from this establishment is conveyed by pipe line to Arish Mell from where the pipe line extends two miles out to sea. The Council have received no complaints regarding the establishment or the disposal of radioactive wastes.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Summary of the Public Health Inspectors' Work for the Year 1962

Total Number of Inspections and Visits

Complaints and Nuisances

Investigated	...	...	...	...	94
Visits	...	...	...	...	101

Housing

Housing Acts

No. of houses inspected for defects	...	...	...	124
Visits for such purposes	...	...	...	137
Houses requiring repair	...	...	...	32
Houses overcrowded	...	...	...	12
Revisits	...	...	...	4

Public Health Acts

No. of houses inspected	...	...	...	71
No. of houses requiring repair	...	...	...	25
Visits	...	...	...	78

Drainage

Inspections of cesspools, septic tanks, etc.	...	...	552
Drains reconstructed or repaired	...	...	3
Drains tested	...	...	388
Cesspool drainage connected to sewer	...	...	95
Effluents sampled	...	...	-

Water Samples

Visits	...	...	...	64
Samples	...	...	...	66

Registered and other Premises

Moveable dwellings	...	...	...	201
Schools	...	...	...	8
Public Premises (Cinemas, Lavatories etc)	...	...	...	15
Piggeries and Stables	...	...	...	7
Factories	...	...	...	28

Infectious and Other diseases

No. of houses visited	...	...	...	5
Visits	...	...	...	5
Disinfections carried out	...	...	...	4
Bedding and other clothing disinfected	...	...	...	-

Verminous Premises

No. of houses visited	...	...	...	5
No. of visits	...	...	...	5
Disinfestations	...	...	...	3
Bedding and other clothing disinfested	...	...	...	2

Food

Visits

Food Premises - Stores, Shops, Stalls, etc.	...	...	131
Slaughterhouses, Butchers Shops	...	...	453
Bakehouses	...	...	19
Dairies, Milkshops	...	...	3

Food Sampling

Milk Samples	-
Ice cream	86

Diseases of Animals - No. of visits	7
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Abatement of Nuisances - Public Health Acts

Nuisances investigated	94
Informal Notices served	30
Statutory Notices served	...	...	...	-
No. of Nuisances abated after (a) Informal Action	...	...	...	29
(b) Statutory Action	...	...	...	-
No. of Informal Notices outstanding 31.12.62	...	...	...	7
No. of Statutory Notices outstanding 31.12.62	...	...	...	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

All milk sold by retail in the district is either "pasteurised", "tuberculin tested pasteurised" or "tuberculin tested", as the Wareham and Purbeck Rural District is part of a specified area under Section 37 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

No. of Milk Distributors on Register 31.12.62	...	...	19
No. of Dairy Premises on Register 31.12.62	...	...	2
Visits made to Dairies during the year	...	...	3
No. of Notices served on Owners with respect to dairies	..	nil	
No. of notices complied with	...	...	nil

Milk Sampling

A total of 77 samples of milk were taken in the district by the Food and Drug Authority. Of these, 72 passed the statutory tests, 4 samples of tuberculin tested milk and 1 sample of pasteurised milk failed the statutory tests.

Ice Cream

During the year some 9 new registrations were made under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 and allowing for those premises in which the sale of ice cream ceased during the year, the number of premises on the register at 31.12.62 was 105.

A total of 86 samples were taken during the year and submitted to the Methylene Blue Reductase test with the following results -

<u>No. of Samples</u>	<u>Provisional Grade</u>
73	1
7	2
3	3
3	4

Meat and Other Foods

Meat

The two slaughterhouses owned by

(1) Parkstone and Bournemouth Co-Operative Society at Palmerston Road, Upton.

(2) G. H. Stevens at West Street, Corfe Castle.

continued in operation during the year and conditions therein were maintained at a satisfactory standard. Again I am able to report that a 100 per cent meat inspection service has been maintained throughout the year some 453 inspections having been made.

The following table indicates the details of carcasses inspected -

	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
No. of animals killed	1222	619	1343	1616	10664
No. of carcasses inspected	1222	619	1343	1616	10664
<u>All Diseases except T.B.</u>					
Carcasses condemned	-	3	10	1	14
Carcasses of which some part was condemned	220	304	14	88	567
Percentage	10.0%	49.5%	1.7%	5.5%	5.4%
<u>T.B. only</u>					
Carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part was condemned	-	5	-	-	33
Percentage	-	0.8%	-	-	0.3%

Total weight of meat and offal condemned - 6 tons, 13 cwts. 3 qtrs. 26 lbs.

In addition some 15 carcasses were found to be infected with *Cysticercus Bovis*. The infected organs were condemned and the carcasses detained in freeze for 21 days.

This gives an incidence of 0.81%.

Knackers Yards

The two knackers yards in the district were regularly inspected and conditions in both were found to be satisfactory throughout the year.

Watercress

Throughout the first half of the year regular visits were made to the watercress beds of the three producers in the district and samples of water and cress taken therefrom were submitted for bacteriological examination.

Altogether 57 samples of water and 120 samples of cress were obtained during this period. *Bact. coli* (type 1) was completely absent in 44 of the water samples; 7 others contained less than 10 per 100 m.l. and of the remaining 6 only 2 contained in excess of 180.

85% of the cress samples contained no *Esch coli* Type 1 at all and 92% came within a limit of 500 per 10 gms. These results, based on a tentative standard suggested by Dr. G. H. Tee of the Public Health Laboratory, are very satisfactory.

Towards the end of the year further sampling was commenced with a view to comparing the bacteriological quality of water taken from varying points within a cress bed. To the end of the year 48 samples had been obtained and results to date reveal, as expected, a tendency for the samples taken from central and outlet points of the cress beds to contain *B. coli* (type 1) more frequently than those from the inlets.

Food Premises

(1) Number of Food Premises by Type of Business in the District

Grocery and General Provisions	63	Green Groceries	6
Sweets - Confectioners	12	Bakehouses	7
Fried Fish Shops	3	Butchers Shops	8
Hotels and Public Houses	31	Slaughterhouses	2

(2) Number of Food Premises by Type Registered

(a) Under Section 16, Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Manufacture of sausages, etc.	7
Fish Frying	3
Sale of Ice Cream	105

(b) Under Milk and Dairies Regulations

Dairy Premises	2
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(3) Number of Inspections of Registered Food Premises

Premises for manufacture of sausages	12
Fish Frying Premises	6
Ice Cream Premises	86
Dairy Premises	3

The following foodstuffs were found to be unfit for human consumption and were condemned -

Minced beef	8 lbs.
Frozen turkeys	2
Tinned tomatoes	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Flour	86 lbs.

HOUSING

The general condition of housing in the district continues to show a steady improvement. The number of category 4 houses was reduced by 57 and the number of category 5 houses by 34 during the year.

The demand for housing accommodation continues to be unsatisfied by the present rate of building, and the number of applicants on the housing list at the end of the year was 453, showing an increase of 6 on the previous year's figure.

By the end of the year the contract for the building of dwellings for old people in need of welfare supervision at Sandford had been let and work on the scheme would begin early in 1963. The Council's plans for these dwellings provide for 12 units of accommodation comprising 5 units with 1 bedroom, 2 units with 2 bedrooms and 5 units with bed-sitting room, together with warden's quarters and common rooms including recreation, washing and drying rooms and kitchen.

The statistics of the Rural Housing Survey completed in 1956 are tabulated below in an amended form after making allowances for the construction of new houses, the demolition of unfit houses and re-categorisation of others following improvement grants -

<u>Total</u>	<u>Cat. 1</u>	<u>Cat. 2</u>	<u>Cat. 3</u>	<u>Cat. 4</u>	<u>Cat. 5</u>
5718	2922	602	776	1040	378

A moderate policy for the demolition of unfit properties of slum clearance has been pursued with the result that 9 demolition orders or undertakings have either been made or accepted.

The number of applications for improvement grants increased slightly from the previous year's total and during the year some 42 applications for discretionary grants and 26 standard grants were approved.

Housing Inspections

(1) Inspections of Dwelling Houses during the year

- (i) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under both Public Health and Housing Acts) ... 195
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 215
- (ii) (a) Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-heading (i) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regs. 1925-32 ... 5
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 5
- (iii) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous as to be prejudicial to health and unfit for habitation ... 9
- (iv) Number of dwelling houses (inclusive of those referred to under preceding sub-heading) not found to be in all respects fit for habitation ... 57

(2)	<u>Remedy of Defects during the year without Service of Formal Notice</u>				
	Number of defective premises rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority				42
(3)	<u>Action under Statutory Powers during the Year</u>				
	(a) <u>Proceedings under Secs. 9 and 16 Housing Acts 1936 and Sec. 9 Housing Act 1957</u>				
	(i) Number of houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ...				Nil
	(ii) Number of houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice				
	(a)	by owners	...	...	Nil
	(b)	by Local Authority	...	...	Nil
	(b) <u>Proceedings under Public Health Acts</u>				
	(i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ...				25
	(ii) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied by service of formal notices				
	(a)	by owners	...	...	23
	(b)	by Local Authority	...	...	Nil
	(c) <u>Proceedings under Sec. 12 Housing Act 1936 and Sec. 18 Housing Act 1957</u>				
	(i) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made ...				Nil
	(ii) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined the tenements or underground rooms having been made fit.				Nil
	(d) <u>Proceedings under Secs. 11 and 13 Housing Act 1936 and Secs. 16, 17 and 18 Housing Act 1957</u>				
	(i)	(a) Demolition Orders made	...	...	9
		(b) Undertakings not to use for human habitation until rendered fit - accepted	...	...	Nil
	(ii) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders				Nil
(4)	<u>Housing Financial Provision Act, 1958, Sec. 30 - Improvement Grants (Discretionary)</u>				
	Number of enquiries received during 1962				92
	Number of applications previously approved but completed in 1962				19
	Number of separate dwellings provided				21
	Number of applications submitted during 1962				45
	Number of dwellings concerned				52
	Number of applications approved				42
	Number of dwellings concerned				49
	Number of applications refused				3
	Number of schemes completed during 1962				19
	Number of dwellings concerned				22
	Number of schemes under construction at 31.12.62				15
	Number of applications approved but not yet started				8

(5) House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959 - Improvement Grants
(Standard)

Number of applications previously approved but completed in 1962	...	...	...	14
Number of separate dwellings provided	...	...	...	14
Number of applications submitted during 1962	...	...	...	26
Number of dwellings concerned	...	...	...	27
Number of applications approved	...	...	...	26
Number of dwellings concerned	...	...	...	27
Number of applications refused	...	...	...	Nil
Number of schemes completed during 1962	...	...	...	11
Number of schemes under construction at 31.12.62	...	...	...	4
Number of applications approved but not yet started	...	...	...	11

(6) New Houses

Total number of new houses erected during 1962

(a) Permanent	...	...	...	147
(b) Prefabricated	...	...	...	4
(c) Temporary	...	...	...	Nil

Number erected during 1962 with State Assistance

(a) by Local Authority				
(i) Permanent	...	...	...	40
(ii) Prefabricated	...	...	...	Nil
(b) by other bodies or persons	...	...	...	Nil

Number erected during the year by private enterprise	...	...	111
Number of temporary dwellings erected	...	...	Nil

Caravans and Camping Sites

During the year the relicensing of caravan sites in accordance with the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act continued with the result that some 17 licences were issued. The total number of sites now licensed amount to 41.

Sites

Sites licensed for individual residential caravans	...	24
" " residential and holiday caravans	...	10
" " holiday caravans only	...	6
" " residential caravans only	...	1

Caravans

Number of holiday caravans	...	804
" " residential caravans	...	279

HOUSING PROGRESS - 1962

Parish	Houses completed 1961-62		Total houses owned at 31.12.62	Houses under con- struction 31.12.62	No. of applicants on housing list at 31.12.62
	1962	1961			
Affpuddle	-	-	7	6	10
Arne	-	-	48	-	18
Bere Regis	-	-	78	-	15
Bloxworth	-	-	8	-	5
Chaldon Herring	-	-	8	-	1
Church Knowle	-	-	6	-	3
Coombe Keynes	-	-	6	-	-
Corfe Castle	4	-	66	-	20
East Holme	-	-	-	-	-
East Lulworth	-	-	6	-	1
East Stoke	-	-	10	-	5
Kimmeridge	-	-	-	-	-
Langton Matravers	-	-	44	-	28
Lytchett Matravers	-	-	92	-	18
Lytchett Minster *	10	6	154(6)	3	69
Morden	-	-	22	-	15
Moreton	-	-	6	-	5
Steeple	-	-	4	-	-
Studland	-	-	42	-	7
Turners Puddle	-	-	-	-	-
Tyneham	Military Training Area				
Wareham St. Martin	26	10	120(14)	-	99
West Lulworth	-	-	22	2	14
Winfrith Newburgh	-	-	32	-	10
Wool	-	10	86	-	55
-do- (Bovington)	-	8	150	20	53
Worth Matravers	-	-	6	-	2
	40	34	1023 (20)	31 (A)	453 ø

* 40 B.D.H. dwellings subsidised by the Government NOT included

Figures in brackets () indicate temporary prefabricated bungalows included in totals.

ø includes approximately 32 transfer applications.

(A) plus 22 dwellings in contracts let (18 Sandford; 4 Langton), but work not started at 31.12.62.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The incidence of notifiable infectious disease in the district continued to remain low.

An outbreak of mild influenza was prevalent during the end of 1961 and the beginning of 1962. At the end of the first week in January, notification was received from the local office of the Ministry of National Insurance that the national insurance certificates had increased by 300% and that this was mainly due to influenza.

No case of diphtheria, poliomyelitis or enteric fever was notified during the year.

Deaths due to infectious diseases were, meningococcal infection 1, pneumonia 10, influenza 1.

Scarlet Fever

Only 2 cases of scarlet fever were notified during 1962, compared with 5 in 1961 and 18 in 1960.

Whooping cough

The incidence of whooping cough continues to remain low; 7 cases were notified compared with 21 in the previous year. All cases were relatively mild.

Measles

The number of cases of measles notified was 50, following the epidemic year of 1961 when 433 cases were notified. None of the cases were severe enough to require hospital treatment.

Tuberculosis

Four new cases of respiratory tuberculosis were notified compared with 9 in 1961, and 1 new case of other forms of tuberculosis which is the same as in 1961.

Food Poisoning

Two isolated cases of suspected food poisoning were notified during the year. In one the infecting organism was Salmonella Heidelberg and in the other Typhi Murium. In each case samples of faeces submitted from other members of the families gave negative results.

It was not possible to ascertain the probable origin of infection in either case.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination

The scheme for immunisation against poliomyelitis includes all ages up to 40 years, and certain priority groups who are likely to be exposed to special risk of infection.

During the year immunisation with the oral poliomyelitis vaccine Trivalent Sabin Type was introduced.

Vaccination and Immunisation Statistics, Wareham R.D. 1962

(P) Primary dose. (B) Booster dose.

Poliomyelitis						Diphtheria		Whooping Cough		Tetanus		Smallpox	
Oral			Salk			P	B	P	B	P	B	P	B
Basic Course	3rd.	4th.	P	3rd.	4th.								
252	232	58	194	410	93	290	265	268	78	328	173	985	1139

Infectious Disease Notification (Corrected) Figures

Disease	1st. Qtr.	2nd. Qtr.	3rd. Qtr.	4th. Qtr.	Total	Admitted to Hospital
Scarlet fever	1	-	1	-	2	-
Whooping cough	-	-	2	5	7	-
Measles	2	1	-	47	50	-
Pneumonia	-	1	-	-	1	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	1	1	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	1	-	2	-
Tuberculosis - respiratory	1	1	-	2	4	2
- other forms	-	-	-	1	1	-

Cases of Infectious Diseases Notified during 1962

Disease	Total	Age Groups									
		Under 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 & Ov.	A.U.
Scarlet fever	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Whooping cough	7	-	1	1	1	-	3	-	-	1	-
Measles	50	-	3	1	4	5	36	1	-	-	-
		Under 5		5-14		15-44		45-64		65 & Ov.	
Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Under 5		5-14		15-24		25-44		45-64	
Tuberculosis - respiratory	4	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
-other forms	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

Scabies and Verminous Conditions

No case of scabies was reported. Eight cases of verminous condition of the scalp in children were reported during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - Section 47. Removal of Persons in Need of Care and Attention to Suitable Premises.

It was not found necessary to take formal action under this section of the Act during the year.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

Part 1 of the Act

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		In-spections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	4	2	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	60	18	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Out-workers' premises)	64	8	-	-
Total	128	28	-	-

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				No.of Cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	re-medied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S1)	3	3	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	2	2	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	5	5	-	-	-

Part VIII of the Act

Outwork Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work	No. of Out-workers in August List reqd. by Sec. 110(1)(e)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No. of Prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel (making etc. cleaning & washing)	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other work	Nil					

